

## **Desktop Publishing QQI Level 5 (5N0785)**

**Course Duration:** September 2020 to April 2021 (2 Terms)

Wednesday 6.30 – 8.30 p.m. in Marino FE (Connolly House)

2 terms - 22 weeks in total

**Course Fee:** €320 per year (This includes assessment registration with QQI)

**Proposed Start Date:** Wednesday, 16th September, 2020

### **Purpose of the Course:**

The aim of the Desktop Publishing QQI Level 5 course is to equip the learner with the knowledge, skill and competence to produce a range of documents containing text and graphic images. Learners will be guided through the publishing process from design briefs to printing, using a Desktop Publishing (DTP) system (Adobe – Creative Suite “In Design”).

### **Learners who successfully complete the course will create an interactive website by:**

- Distinguish between desktop publishing and other forms of document production
- Describe the characteristics of key components of DTP systems
- Outline the essential considerations for handling text and graphics in DTP documents including size, resolution, format, placement, orientation and colour, in the context of a range of page layouts
- Describe the legal implications associated with use and protection of published material including licencing and copyright
- Generate graphic content using a DTP application to create, import, capture and manipulate images and drawings
- Set up a document for publication or printing specifying all required layout characteristics such as page, text, frame and table setup
- Create a range of possible designs to meet a given brief with due consideration for production cost, presentation format and environment, and print materials
- Fulfil the requirements of a client brief completing all stages in the publication.
- Analyse existing documents making appropriate recommendations for improvement.

**Certification:** Learners who complete the course will obtain a QQI Level 5 Component Award along with the satisfaction of creating a collection of original portfolio pieces.

**Participant Criteria:**

- Leaving Certificate standard or equivalent.
- A good level of computer skills is essential.

**Application forms will be available from the College in June 2020 (adulteducation@marino.cdetb.ie/018332100) and should be returned no later than Friday 11th September 2020**